

# St. Mary's Parish Religious Education Program 2018 – 2019

## CALENDAR AND SCHEDULED EVENTS [Type here]

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*Weekly attendance at Mass is a must for all those who wish to practice our Catholic faith. Christ asks for one hour. With that said, here is the educational component to your children's faith.*

### **SUMMER SESSION**

2 weeks: June 18th - June 29th

8:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Please report to the Parish Center (gym). Also, the students will be dismissed from the Parish Center. All students must be signed in and out each day.

On June 28th (Thursday), the students will be going on a field trip to the Miraculous Medal Shrine in Philadelphia. This is part of the PREP Program. We plan to return by 1:30 PM. However, if your child does not attend the field trip, he/she is required to come to PREP class that day.

The Summer Session will be followed up with two 30 minute review meetings as well as assessment dates throughout the year. These are necessary to strengthen the program and include your family. We will meet on Sundays after the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Center. The first one will be Sunday, November 18, 2018. **Please mark your calendar.**

### **CALENDAR OF SCHEDULED EVENTS**

September 15<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) – First Communion / Reconciliation Retreat 10 AM To 12 PM. The Sacramental Preparation Fee for First Holy Communion is due (\$50).

September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation

September 29th (Saturday) - St. Francis Blessing of Animals at 11:30 AM

September 29th (Saturday) - Octoberfest - 1:00-9:00 PM - Please consider volunteering at this parish event.

October 5th (Friday) to October 7 (Sunday) - Forty Hours Devotion begins at St. Mary Church.

October 5th - Forty Hours Devotion - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

October 6th - Forty Hours Devotion - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

October 7<sup>th</sup> – First Communion at 10:30 AM Mass (Students arrive at 10 AM)

October 7th - Forty Hours Devotion ends at the 10:30 AM Mass

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November 1st (Thursday) - Feast of All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation - Vigil Mass (Wed.) at 4:00 PM; Morning Mass at 8:00 AM and evening at 7 PM at St. Mary's on November 1st

November 2nd (Friday) - All Souls- Mass at 7:00 PM at St. Mary's (regular 8 AM Mass)

November 18th (Sunday) - 10:30 AM Mass followed by a 30 minute meeting in the Parish Center. All students of the parish and their parents are encouraged to attend. This refers to all PREP and Homeschooled students (Grades 1, 3, 4, & 5). The meeting will begin at 11:30 AM and will end at 12 noon.

November 22nd (Thursday) - Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:00 AM at St. Mary's

November 30th (Friday) - Christmas Bazaar - 5:00-8:00 PM

December 1st (Saturday) - Christmas Bazaar - 9:00 AM-1:00 PM; Breakfast with Santa

December 16th (Sunday) - Christmas Play opens at the 10:30 AM Mass. All students in Grades K, 1, 2, and 3 are requested to participate. More details will be given later.

January 20, 2019 (Sunday) - 10:30 AM Mass followed by lunch in the Parish Center for all students and their families. After lunch, the PREP and Homeschooled students in grades 1, 3, 4, & 5 will be assessed on their material they have studied at home. If your child is absent or it is inclement weather, the assessment will be on January 27th (Sunday) after the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Center.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Night at the Races

March 10<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) - Students in grades 4 and 5 are encouraged to report to Holy Trinity Church after the 10:30 AM Mass to receive their Living Stations assignments. Confirmation PREP students are **required** to participate. Practices will take place on Sundays after the 10:30 Mass from March 10th to April 7th.

February Confirmation moved to 2020. Date to be announced for Fall or Spring. (Fee \$75)

April 14th (Sunday) - Palm Sunday; after the 10:30 AM Mass, there will be an Easter Egg Hunt and Bake Sale in the Parish Center.

April 18th - Holy Thurs. (Foot Washing) - Mass at 7:00 PM.

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April 19<sup>th</sup> - Good Friday - Living Stations at 7:00 PM at Holy Trinity Church. Students involved in Living Stations will report to Holy Trinity Church at 4:30 PM. Dinner will be provided.

### **April 21st - Easter Sunday**

May 4<sup>th</sup> - Bingo

May 5<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) - All PREP and Homeschooled students will have their final assessment at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center.

May 19<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) - Crowning of Mary at 10:30 AM Mass; First Holy Communion and Confirmation students are **required** to attend this liturgy and participate in the procession. First Holy Communion students are to wear their Communion outfits and Confirmation students are to wear their Sunday best (no jeans, shorts, sweatshirts, t-shirts, flip-flops, etc.)

June 1<sup>st</sup> (Saturday) – B-B QUE (Tentative)

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### **ALL STUDENT PARISHIONERS INCLUDED**

Please note that the **PREP, Holy Family School students and Homeschoolers** are included in all sacraments and activities listed above. Also, they will be included in additional Confirmation, Reconciliation, and Holy Communion classes that are required in order to be prepared for the reception of the sacraments. These dates will be provided by their teachers.

#### **Prep Fee**

A \$250 Fee for Student or \$300 Fee for family. It is necessary to attend Mass each week in order to receive the sacraments. You have to set the example for your children. The delayed dates for those who do not meet the requirements will be determined by the Pastor.

**Please mark your calendars for next year's 2019 PREP Classes: June 17th – 28th 2020 PREP Classes: June 15th – 26th; 8:00-11:30 AM.** Thank you for acknowledging the needs of your families in regards to your faith!

One day at a time with the Lord!  
-Fr. Hutter